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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AIR FREIGHT DOWN 3.0 PERCENT IN AUGUST

WASHINGTON, D.C., September 30, 1991 -- Air freight decreased 3.0 percent in August, compared with August a year ago, and was down 6.2 percent for the first eight months of 1991, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight in August was down 4.5 percent. Mail decreased 5.0 percent, and total cargo decreased 4.6 percent.

The U.S. airlines' international air freight in August was down 1.4 percent, and mail increased 2.5 percent. Total cargo was down 1.1 percent.

Domestic air freight in the first eight months decreased 4.1 percent, while mail registered a 7.1 percent decrease. Total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, decreased 4.7 percent.

International air freight during the first eight months of 1991 was down 8.2 percent. Mail decreased 0.1 percent, and total cargo was down 7.5 percent.

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PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS

U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY (1)
REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS				
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	TOTAL FREIGHT	TOTAL CARGO
AUGUST	1991	425,029	109,998	535,027	415,717	42,884	458,601	840,746	993,628
AUGUST	1990	445,039	115,758	560,797	421,756	41,832	463,588	866,795	1,024,385
PERCENT CHANGE		(4.5)	(5.0)	(4.6)	(1.4)	2.5	(1.1)	(3.0)	(3.0)
8 MONTHS	1991	3,136,630	844,441	3,981,071	3,045,523	314,743	3,360,266	6,182,153	7,341,337
8 MONTHS	1990	3,269,545	909,288	4,178,833	3,319,207	315,176	3,634,383	6,588,752	7,813,216
PERCENT CHANGE		(4.1)	(7.1)	(4.7)	(8.2)	(0.1)	(7.5)	(6.2)	(6.0)

Carriers included : Alaska, Aloha, America West, American, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Hawaiian, Midway, Northwest, Pan American, Southwest, Trans World, United, and USAir.

PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

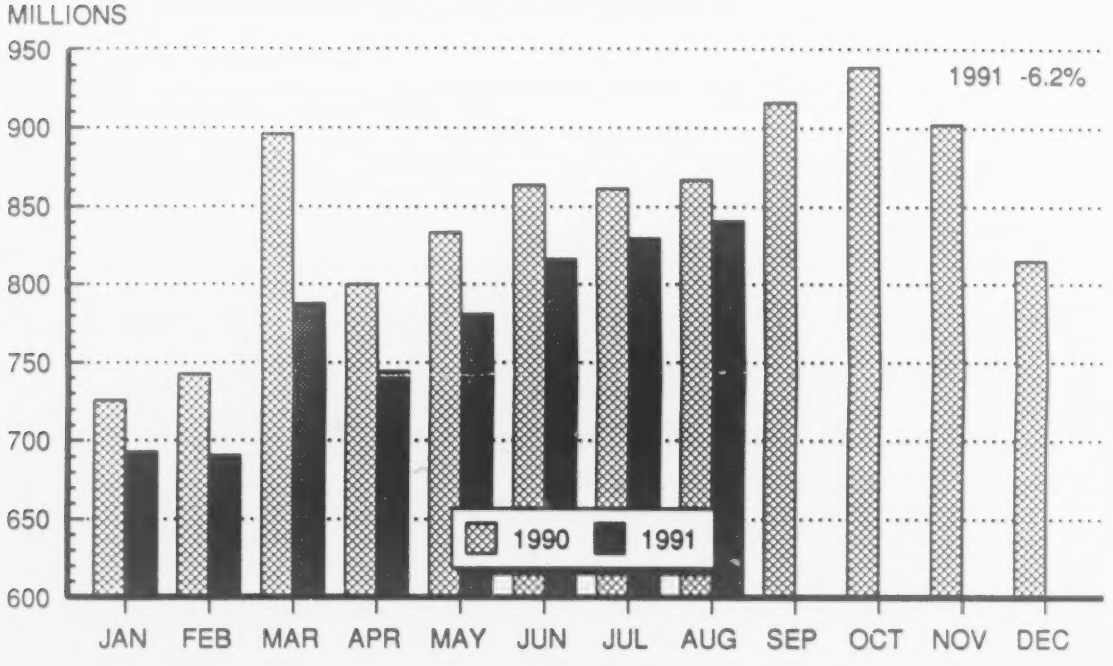
REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

MONTH	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1990			
January	725,468	156,384	881,852
February	742,567	144,274	886,841
March	896,037	166,190	1,062,227
April	799,654	152,805	952,459
May	833,276	154,636	987,912
June	863,683	149,212	1,012,895
July	861,272	143,373	1,004,645
August	866,795	157,590	1,024,385
September	916,479	151,176	1,067,655
October	938,812	168,581	1,107,393
November	902,468	176,280	1,078,748
December	815,070	239,796	1,054,866
TOTAL 1990	10,161,581	1,960,297	12,121,878
Jan – Aug 1990	6,588,752	1,224,464	7,813,216
1991			
January	692,658	162,971	855,629
February	690,536	124,491	815,027
March	787,577	148,250	935,827
April	744,244	140,206	884,450
May	780,826	147,185	928,011
June	815,870	141,955	957,825
July	829,696	141,244	970,940
August	840,746	152,882	993,628
TOTAL 1991	6,182,153	1,159,184	7,341,337

	PERCENT CHANGE		
	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1991/1990			
August	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0
Jan – Aug	-6.2	-5.3	-6.0

FREIGHT

REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



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REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES